

MINUTES

PLUMBING AND PIPING WORK EXAMINING BOARD

January 3, 2013

The meeting was called to order by Hubert J. Barnes, Acting Chairperson at 9:07 a.m. in Room 177 at the State Office Building, 165 Capitol Avenue, Hartford, Connecticut.

Members Present:

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| George C. Sima | Contractor |
| James Piccoli | Contractor |
| Christopher M. Bowman | Contractor |
| John R Damico | Journey person |
| Anthony Calandrino | Journey person |
| Hubert J. Barnes | Journey person |
| Frank J. Dacato | Journey person |
| Joyce Topshe | Public Member |
| Melissa C. Sheffy | Public Member |
| Carl W. Schaefer | Public Member |

Members Absent:

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| Charles E. Appleby, Sr., Chairperson | Contractor |
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Board Vacancies:

One Public Member

DCP Staff Present:

Richard M. Hurlburt, Director

DCP Legal Staff:

Anthony Santoro, Esq.

CT Dept. of Labor Apprenticeship Rep:

Ken Duff, Gina Knox

Public Present: Brian Oliva Jacob Dalton William Smith

Note: The administrative functions of the Boards, Commissions and Councils are carried out by the Department of Consumer Protection, Occupational and Professional Licensing Division. For information contact Richard M. Hurlburt, Director at (860) 713-6135 or Fax: (860) 706-1255.

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MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING:

The draft minutes of December 6, 2012 were accepted by the Board as written.

APPLICATIONS FOR RECONSIDERATION:

Justin B. Chaffee, Springfield, MA – (P-2) Unlimited Journeyman

Mr. Chaffee's application was denied at the Board's 9/13/12 meeting.

The Board again denied this application for lack of documentation of related classroom instruction and apprenticeship hours as required.

Jacob A. Dalton, Greene, RI – (P-2) Unlimited Journeyman

Mr. Dalton's application was denied at the Board's 11/8/12 meeting for proof of apprenticeship from any state.

The Board voted to approve this application contingent upon the applicant faxing to DCP his State of Rhode Island Apprenticeship Completion Certificate

NEW APPLICATIONS:

John P. Albernaz, Fall River, MA – (P-1) Unlimited Contractor

Mr. Albernaz provided copies of his Rhode Island Master Plumber & Fire Protection Master licenses.

The Board denied this application for lack of the pre-requisite Connecticut (P-2) license and lack of proof of completion of a proper apprenticeship training program.

Sead Ganic, Trumbull, CT – (P-1) Unlimited Contractor

Mr. Ganic provided a copy of his Connecticut (P-2) license (held since 3/26/11) and a copy of his NYC Buildings Master Plumber license.

The Board denied the waiver of the remaining required time as a (P-2) licensee; the applicant must wait the remaining two months as required. The application will be approvable in due course on 3/26/2013.

Joshua D. Miller, Milford, CT – (P-1) Unlimited Contractor

Mr. Miller provided copies of his Connecticut (S-1) (SM-2) licenses and a copy of his Connecticut Home Improvement Contractor registration. Mr. Miller also holds a Connecticut (L-5) limited Electrical License.

The Board denied this application for lack of the pre-requisite Connecticut (P-2) license and lack of proof of completion of a proper apprenticeship training program.

LATE ARRIVIING APPLICATIONS:

The Board voted to add the following late arriving applications to the Agenda for consideration:

Thomas Hebrank, White Plains, NY – (P-2) Unlimited Journeyperson

Mr. Hebrank provided a copy of his Westchester County (NY) Journey Level Certificate for 2012.

The Board denied this application for lack of proof of completion of a proper apprenticeship training program including on-the-job training hours and related instruction as required.

Michael R. Lavoie, Fall River, MA – (P-2) Unlimited Journeyperson

Mr. Lavoie provided copies of his current Massachusetts & Rhode Island Journeyman Plumber licenses.

The Board denied this application for lack of proof of completion of a proper apprenticeship training program including on-the-job training hours and related instruction as required.

Stephen P. Pirzinger, Mamaroneck, NY – (P-1) Unlimited Contractor

Mr. Pirzinger provided a copy of his Westchester County (NY) Journey Level Certificate for 2012.

The Board denied this application for lack of the pre-requisite Connecticut (P-2) license and lack of proof of completion of a proper apprenticeship training program.

CORRESPONDENCE

- A Department of Labor 11/5/2012 Press Release concerning DOL Stop Work Orders having been issued to 16 companies was distributed to the Board

The Board so noted.

- Copies of this year's Commissioner's Administrative Report was distributed to the Board

The Board so noted.

- Picture Identification Request Forms were distributed for the Members to complete for the issuance of their new Identification Badges.
- Continuing Education Provider application from Tunxis Community College.

The Board approved this CE Providers course application.

NEW BUSINESS:

Board Member Frank J DaCato stated to the Board that he had a number of concerns following his meeting with a Mr. Franklin Diaz regarding work being performed at Yale New Haven Hospital.

The Board voted to forward any concerns Mr. DaCato had about unlicensed activities to the DCP Trade Practices Division for review and possible investigation.

DCP COMPLAINT STATUS REPORT

The Trade Practice Division report on complaints was reviewed.

The Board so noted complaint total was two (2) only.

COMMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC PRESENT TODAY:

William Smith, of East Windsor, CT, a current (S-1) holder representing Hipoint Heating and Cooling Co., appeared to seek the Board's guidance regarding his goal of obtaining the (P-1) license.

The Board discussed Mr. Smith's options; no action was taken.

Remaining 2013 Meeting Schedule

9:00 a.m. in Room-117 at 165 Capitol Avenue, Hartford, CT

- **January 31 – Thursday**
- **February 28 - Thursday**
- **March 28 – Thursday**
- **April 25 – Thursday**
- **May 23 – Thursday**
- **June 20 – Thursday**
- **July 18 – Thursday**
- **August 15 – Thursday**
- **September 12 – Thursday**
- **October 10 – Thursday**
- **November 7 – Thursday**
- **December 5 – Thursday**

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 10:04 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Richard M. Hurlburt
Director

The next meeting is scheduled for Thursday, January 31, 2013 at 9:00 a.m. in Room-117.